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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the entitled

Polymerization catalyst for polyester production, polyester, and process for producing polyester

the specification of which

-) is attached hereto.
- (x) was filed on April 23,2001 and amended on

as Application Serial No.09/830,223 (if applicable).

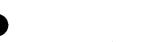
I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, $\S 1.56(a)$.

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION	DATE OF FILING	DATE OF ISSUE	PRIORITY CLAIMED
	NUMBER	(day, month, year)	(day, month, year)	UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119
Japan	10-302692	23/10/98		Yes
Japan	10-328596	18/11/98		Yes
Japan	10-328597	18/11/98		Yes
Japan	10-328598	18/11/98		Yes
Japan	10-347450	7/12/98		Yes

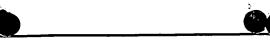




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Japan	11-104490	12/4/99		Yes
Japan	11-134878	14/5/99		Yes
Japan	11-135258	17/5/99	·	Yes
Japan	11-257900	10/9/99		Yes
Japan	11-264031	17/9/99		Yes
Japan	11-264032	17/9/99		Yes
Japan	11-264029	17/9/99		Yes
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Japan	11-267420	21/9/99		Yes
Japan	11-270792	24/9/99		Yes
Japan	11-270793	24/9/99		Yes
Japan	11-270794	24/9/99		Yes
Japan	11-270795	24/9/99		Yes
Japan	11-277399	29/9/99		Yes

I hereby claim the benefit under title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

APPLICATION	FILING DATE	STATUS
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